National Highway in Karnataka

2011. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY : Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Karnataka has requested the Central Government for declaration of new National Highways in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons advanced by the State Government of Karnataka for declaring new National Highways; and

(d) the response of the Central Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (d) The Government of Karnataka has submitted proposals for declaration of 20 State Roads as National Highways on various grounds such as improvement of inter-state connectivity, increased load of traffic, connectivity to important towns, Ports, religious places, business centers, economically important towns, world heritage sites and tourist places etc. At present, emphasis is being given by the Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport and Highways for development of roads already declared as National Highways instead of declaring more roads as National Highways. The State Government has been informed accordingly.

Jewargi-Hiriyur Project

2012. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the proposed Jewargi-Hiriyur Project;

(b) whether it has been decided to take up the said project under the Golden Quadrilateral Project; and

(c) if so, what would be the estimated cost of the above project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) Jewargi-Hiriyur Project is a project taken up by the Government of Karnataka and is funded by the World Bank. It is not a part of Golden Quadrilateral Project.